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for: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR PROVIDING) Group Art Unit: 3626

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 9, 2003 having a period for response set to expire on December 9, 2003, Applicant has filed a Request for Continued Examination and the present Preliminary Amendment. The Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the existing rejection in view of Applicants' amendments and remarks below. Applicant submits the fee for a one-month extension herewith.